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**City of La Marque
Minutes
January 13, 2014**

Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting of the City of La Marque, Texas that was conducted on Monday, January 13, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at 1109-B Bayou Road for purpose of considering the following agenda:

(1) Mayor Hocking called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

(2) ROLL CALL

Mayor Hocking

Mayor Pro-Tem Bell

Councilmember Brown

Councilmember Trube

Councilmember Osteen

City Manager Buttler

City Attorney Ortego

City Clerk Eldridge

(3) Mayor Hocking led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

(4) MINUTES

a. Regular City Council Meeting held on December 9, 2013

** Councilmember Trube made a motion to approve the minute of the Regular City Council Meeting held on December 9, 2013

** Councilmember Osteen seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as submitted with the correction of a few minor typos. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(5) PRESENTATIONS

a. Presentation – 2013 Christmas Light Contest Winners

David Pennington, Chairman of the Clean City Commission thanked Police Chief Aragon and the officers for their help in transportation and addresses then announced the following winners: First place: 1415 Oak Street- Dennis Mc Colgin; Second place: 203 Hawks View Drive-Antonio Bonsignor and Third place: 103 Sunlit Mesa-Roxanne and Harold Easterling,

b. Presentation of Plaques – Vehicles for Christmas Parade

Mayor Hocking presented Allen Honesh of De Montrond, Brian Barnes of Classic Chevrolet and Randy Stein of Advantage BMW of Clear Lake plaques for allowing the use of classic convertibles to be ridden by past and present Mayor and present Councilmembers in the Christmas parade in December. Also recognized but not present was Cook Ford.

(6) CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION

No one spoke

(7) PUBLIC HEARING

a. Conduct Public Hearing to receive public input regarding Ordinance No. **O-2013-0019**, amending City of La Marque FY 2013-14 Budget to recognize funds received from Galveston County for fire



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services and to appropriate certain fire expenditures per contract by increasing revenue account 48-3801-00-00 of \$50,000 and increasing appropriation Fire expenditure accounts 48-2040-06-00 of \$20,000 and 48-7040-06-00 of \$30,000.

Mayor Hocking closed the Regular Meeting and opened the Public Hearing at 6:08 p.m.

No one spoke.

Mayor Hocking closed the Public Hearing at 6:09 p.m. and reconvened to the Regular Meeting.

(8) OLD BUSINESS

a. Discussion/possible action regarding Ordinance No. **O-2013-0019**, amending City of La Marque FY 2013-14 Budget to recognize funds received from Galveston County for fire services and to appropriate certain fire expenditures per contract by increasing revenue account 48-3801-00-00 of \$50,000 and increasing appropriation Fire expenditure accounts 48-2040-06-00 of \$20,000 and 48-7040-06-00 of \$30,000.

**** Councilmember Bell made a motion to approve Ordinance No. O -2013-0019, amending City of La Marque FY 2013-14 Budget to recognize funds received from Galveston County for fire services and to appropriate certain fire expenditures per contract by increasing revenue account 48-3801-00-00 of \$50,000 and increasing appropriation Fire expenditure accounts 48-2040-06-00 of \$20,000 and 48-7040-06-00 of \$30,000.**

**** Councilmember Trube seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(9) NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion/possible action regarding the recommendation of the Cemetery Board to transfer Cemetery Plot 69, Spaces 1-10 to Walter Wayne Churchill

David Pennington Chairman of the Cemetery Board explained the transfer request.

**** Councilmember Trube made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Cemetery Board to transfer Cemetery Plot 69, Spaces 1-10 to Walter Wayne Churchill.**

**** Councilmember Osteen seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

b. Discussion/possible action to accept the Quarterly Investment Report ending 9/30/13.

**** Councilmember Bell made a motion to approve the Quarterly Investment Report as submitted.**

**** Councilmember Trube seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

c. Discussion/possible action regarding the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to approve Ordinance No. **O-2014-001**, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of La Marque, Texas changing the zoning classification of a tract of land from Single Family Residential to General Commercial, lots six (6), seven (7), eight (8) and nine (9) in Section 1, Amburn's Subdivision in the Daugherty Survey No. 4, out of the Marchand Tract, S.F. Austin League No. 4, Galveston County, Texas according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 254A, Page 50, all in the map records in the office of the County Clerk of Galveston, County; amending the Zoning Map of the City adopted the 12th day of December, 2005 by Ordinance 953. **THIS IS THE FIRST READING.**

**** Councilmember Trube made a motion to table this item.**

**** Councilmember Osteen seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

d. Discussion/possible action regarding the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to approve Ordinance No. **O-2014-002**, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of La Marque, Texas



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changing the zoning classification of a tract of land from Public to General Commercial, Abstract 150, Page 8, Lots 1 through 14, Blocks 7 through 42 & 45 through 50 and abandoned streets better described by metes and bounds in Division "N", and in Appendix "A" attached hereto, all in the Cook and Stewart Subdivision of a part of the John D Moore League in Galveston County, Texas, in the map records in the office of the County Clerk of Galveston, County; amending the Zoning Map of the City adopted the 12th day of December, 2005 by Ordinance 953.

** Councilmember Osteen made a motion to table this item.

** Councilmember Trube seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(11) CITY MANAGER REPORT

The City Manager's report was submitted.

Councilmember Trube asked Chief if a vehicle was down, but was told that due to the numerous amount of calls,

Councilmember Osteen asked why the City was behind schedule in the CDBG Round 2 Project and whether the City was able to get an extension. Public Works Director explained that there was a mistake in this report and he would make sure that it is straightened out.

City Manager reported that met with the Court Administrator and asked for an updated report and also Development Services provided duplicate information and will meet with staff to rectify the problems. Updated charts and the check register will be on the last meeting in January, after staff reviews them.

(12) EXECUTIVE SESSION- There was none

(13) REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Trube thanked everyone for attending and wished everyone a Happy New Year. Then sent condolences to Councilmember Bell and his family for the passing of his sister-and-law.

Councilmember Brown thanked the recipients of the plaques for attending the meeting.

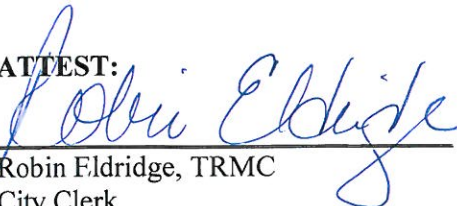
Mayor Hocking expressed his and own and also on behalf of the City his condolences to the Bell family and thanked the Clean City Commission and Chairman for the work they did on this years' Christmas Lighting contest and sent prayers out Mr. Sparks speedy recovery.

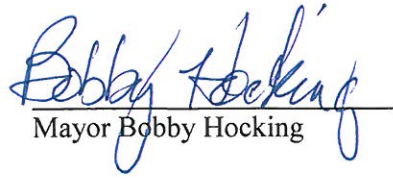
(14) ADJOURNMENT

** Councilmember Trube made a motion to adjourn at 6:26 p.m.

** Councilmember Osteen seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ATTEST:


Robin Eldridge, TRMC
City Clerk


Mayor Bobby Hocking